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- 2) Response to Office Action (8 pages)

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1202 18	2202 8	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification			
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month			110.00
1252 420	2252 210	Extension for reply within second month			
1253 950	2253 475	Extension for reply within third month			
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1402 330	2402 165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1403 290	2403 145	Request for oral hearing			
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to Institute a public use proceeding			
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1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional			
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1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee			
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

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By: Anne Collette
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